



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/807,920  
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Applicant: Osamu SHINKAWA  
Group Art Unit: 2861  
Examiner: Brian J. Goldberg  
Title: DROPLET EJECTION APPARATUS AND METHOD OF  
DETECTING EJECTION FAILURE IN DROPLET  
EJECTION HEADS  
Attorney Docket: 9319A-000742

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 22, 2006, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 9 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.